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EXPLORERS BACK FROM THE MOUNTAINS OF THE MOON

A strange and lovely land of craters

AFRICA still has her secrets for explorers who are hardy enough to seek them. One was laid bare recently among the mysterious Ruwenzori Mountains—the "Mountains of the Moon"—when human eyes looked for the first time on what was to them a strange and magic land. The spellbound climbers had braved earthquakes and the tangled barrier of the untrodden forest to reach it

The C N last week noted that geologists have been surveying these mountains which lie on the border of the Belgian Congo and Uganda; now the scientists themselves have described their discoveries among the towering snow-clad peaks.

They found a wonderland consisting of 40 to 50 great craters stretched rim to rim over an area of 40 square miles, some of them 2½ miles across and about 650 feet deep.

These giant craters were formed in ages long ago, when the Earth's crust here was in a tumult of volcanic upheaval. Now they are clad in forest or filled with water, and are the haunts of a myriad of wild animals and birds.

The geologists described the landscape as the most impressive they had ever seen, and they believe there is not another region like it in the world.

Seldom have explorers been better rewarded for weeks of hardship and danger. Their tough journey to this beautiful crater-land had been accompanied by continual alarming earthquakes—ominiously suggestive of the titanic events which had first moulded the great bowls. It was almost as though Mother Earth sought to protect one of the last of her secrets from prying eyes.

There was an earthquake on the day after the expedition arrived on the mountains, and for three months afterwards the ground trembled frequently, indicating that the ancient volcanic storms were still rumbling beneath the surface.

QUAKING LAND

The geologists had to get used to quaking land. One night they were kept awake by six tremors; and morning brought no tranquillity, for the Ruwenzoris again shook themselves six times.

Besides these weird and disturbing experiences, they encountered all the normal difficulties of hacking a way through the forests of the foothills, and negotiating steep heights. They were greatly helped by their 200 devoted and sure-footed native porters of the Bakonjo tribe. Without these men, the explorers admitted, they would never have set eyes on the lovely land of the craters.

Their task was not only to probe the mysteries of the Ruwenzori Mountains, but to make maps of them, and to find how the Great Rift Valley, which crosses the East African plateau, came into existence when the Earth was young. For scientists have long recognised that Ruwenzori is the key to the geological history of Africa.

ENTHRALLING TALE

The leader of the expedition was Professor W. Q. Kennedy, Professor of Geology at Leeds University. He will have an enthralling tale to tell his students!

These mountains were discovered by the famous explorer, H. M. Stanley, during his travels in 1887-88. Their highest peak, soaring 16,815 feet, was named after him. Hundreds of years previously the Egyptian astronomer and geographer, Ptolemy, had guessed at their existence as the source of the Nile, and called them the Mountains of the Moon.

Stanley described the country

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RIGHT ROYAL FEAST

When the Duchess of Kent is entertained this month by the leaders of the Chinese community in Hong Kong she will have to be prepared for a gargantuan feast, with dishes as numerous as they are strange.

A full-scale Chinese banquet is a serious business, and may go on for hours. To begin with there are usually no fewer than eight cold dishes, ranging from such dainties as shark's fins to birds' nests.

Then follows a well-cooked duck served in thick gravy and accompanied by at least half-a-dozen smaller dishes. The meal is rounded off with Chinese puddings, little cakes, rice, and the inevitable Chinese tea.

RADIO IN KIOSKS

Broadcasting is a great aid to education, but it is proving difficult to develop in British-administered Togoland because of the humidity of the atmosphere.

Cheap radio sets will not stand up to the damp conditions, so it has been decided to instal better sets in special radio kiosks in the main towns of Togoland, which Britain administers under a Trusteeship agreement with the United Nations.



Straight furrow

This magnificent team of Suffolk Punches recently won a ploughing match at Addlestone, in Surrey.

CAR FOUND IN A HAYSTACK

A young Welsh farmer named Ian Barclay has motored 11,000 miles through Europe and Africa in a 28-year-old car which he found under a haystack in Wales.

He was on a ramble in 1949 when he found that a haystack had been built over a derelict car, a British 13-h.p. two-seater built in 1924, four years before he was born. He "made it go," and fitted new tyres and another magneto.

Then he and a friend decided to emigrate with the haystack car, and off they went. They arrived safely in Egypt, but were there refused permission to travel down the Nile route in their ancient vehicle, and made their way to Ethiopia.

They bumped on to Nairobi and there Ian's friend decided to stay.

Ian went on alone in "Old Haystack" and reached Salisbury in Southern Rhodesia five months after setting out.

4d. PIECES OF YESTERYEAR

In a shop window in Whitstable, Kent, is a collection of fourpenny pieces saved by a man who operated a carrier's business over 70 years ago. His charge for carrying goods between Whitstable and Canterbury was fourpence.

This coin was originally the groat—issued in 1351 and at first valued at a penny. It was discontinued in 1662, but brought back as a silver fourpenny piece in 1836. Popularly called the Joey, after Joseph Hume, who had advised its re-issue, it was finally abolished as currency in 1887.

HER 100,000 BABIES

Miss Edna Shaw, matron of Crown Street Women's Hospital, Sydney, Australia, who is retiring on October 23 after 34 years' service, is particularly proud of two facts. One is that, during her time, 100,000 babies have been born at the hospital; the other is that 6000 babies were born in 1950 without the death of one mother—an amazing record.

Matron Shaw, who is beloved by her nurses, is one of the most popular figures in Sydney, and a testimonial fund has been organised to recognise her magnificent work.

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SIX UNITED STATES OF EUROPE

By the C N Diplomatic Correspondent

PLANS for a Parliamentary system which would establish the United States of Western Europe next year are being devised in Brussels by experts in constitution-making. On Thursday, October 23, these specialists will report to a Commitee of the six countries which intend to unite.

The six founder-members are: France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxemburg, and at the recent European Assembly they took their momentous decision to form a new "Little Europe" with a common Parliament.

This development has been so swift that other countries, including Britain, are even now uncertain what it will entail.

It could mean an overnight transformation which some statesmen have estimated really needs ten years of steady growth. Anxious statesmen in Europe, however, have decided that they cannot wait ten years.

How, then, do they propose to effect this high-speed action?

MAINTENANCE OF RIGHTS

The Committee to whom the new plans are to be submitted are the Foreign Ministers of the six countries concerned, and these Ministers will discuss, and probably amend, the proposals.

Though these national representatives are fully prepared to surrender a proportion of their countries' sovereign rights to the proposed new Parliament, they have no intention of giving up their respective countries' rights to decide their own destinies in their own parliaments at home.

When they have completed their investigation—and even Europe's statesmen-in-a-hurry realise this will take them at least six months—the finished plans will have to be ratified by all the member-countries.

Then, if all goes smoothly, the first European Parliament will come to power about the end of next year, with elected European M.P.s to represent 160 million people.

And so this boldly-conceived United States of Western Europe would emerge as a new world power, a power to stand comparison with the United States of America with its 150 million people, and the Soviet Union with some 190 million.

Instead of half-a-dozen policies, all differing, coming from Western Europe, there would be one well-directed policy capable of having at least six times as much effect upon the policies of the rest of the world.

For her part, Britain believes that this closer grouping could be a real step forward towards peace and co-operation everywhere.

Though Britain herself could not take part because of her all-important membership of the British Commonwealth, her ties in Europe demand her close association with any project for a firm European Community.

BRITAIN'S PLACE

This necessity has caused some anxiety, which has been allayed by the acceptance of a proposal by Mr. Eden that Britain should become an honorary member, so to speak, of the new European group.

This would be brought about by linking the Community of six nations to the Council of Europe of which we are a full and active member.

Britain, therefore, is being asked to send three observers to attend the Committee of Foreign Ministers. Other countries who do not wish to take active part in the proposed Parliament are also to have observers there, able to speak and advise at any time.

COATS OFF

More than 300 young people connected with the World Council of Churches took their coats off in 30 youth work camps in 15 different countries during the past summer.

Twenty workers from a camp in Sheffield helped to clean up the bombed church of St. George. They built an 18-inch-thick wall, paved a chapel with concrete blocks made on the spot; and, outside the church, they made a children's playground by moving hundreds of barrow-loads of stone, rubble, and clay.

These visitors to Yorkshire came from Germany, France, the United States, and Switzerland, and one young man arrived with the simple announcement "I am Sam from Sweden."

Other campers built a school in France, a college in India, a refugee home in Germany, and a parsonage in Belgium.

Another 30 work camps to build friendship as well as brick walls are planned for next summer.

The man in charge



The lighthouse which stands just off the main road at Shoreham, Sussex, is in charge of Mr. B. A. Moody, a retired sailor, who walks to and from his duties three times a day.

ROYAL CELLAR MOVED

A wine cellar built in Westminster in the time of Henry VIII has been moved to a new position to make way for new buildings. Known as the Crypt, it is one of the few remains of the Tudor Palace at Whitehall. Parliament had given an undertaking that the cellar would be preserved.

The whole building—62 feet long, 32 feet wide, and weighing about a 1000 tons—was moved sideways on a staging, then lowered into the ground and moved back to a place approximately beneath its original site.

GANG SHOW

This year's all-Scout Gang Show will be staged at the Golders Green Hippodrome, London, from December 1 to 13. For the past two years it has been staged at the King's Theatre, Hammersmith, but the demand for tickets was so great that it has been moved to a larger theatre.

The Golders Green box office is now open for orders by post.

NEW BOOK ON AULD REEKIE

In the latest volume of the Queen's Scotland (Hodder and Stoughton, 15s.) we are introduced to what Oliver Wendell Holmes called the incomparable loveliness of Edinburgh. Then we are conducted through the busy and beautiful counties south of the Firth of Forth.

This well-written "census" of a famous and glorious part of the homeland follows the pattern of the publishers' familiar King's England series.

ROMAN VASES FROM THE DEPTHS

Twenty earthen vases dating from the first century B.C. have been found intact, amid the wreckage of ancient Roman ships off Lavezzi Island, near Corsica's Cape of Bonifacio. Some of them are being sent to the Louvre, in Paris; others have gone to the Archaeological Museum at Bestia, Corsica.

Mountains of the Moon

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immediately below the mountains as a "natural hothouse." In his book, In Darkest Africa, he wrote:

"Every tree stem has its green robe of soft moss, dripping with dew, and each tree fern or horizontal branch has its orchids, or broad elephant-eared plant. Every rock is clothed with lichens, and if but the slightest hollow is found in it, there will be seen a multitude of tropical plants crowding every inch. In short, everywhere, except upon the perpendicular face of a late-moved boulder, vegetation thrives of every variety of greenness, form, and character."

The present-day explorers, including three scientific officers of the British Museum, have returned with many new specimens and a vast amount of valuable information about the rocks and wild life in Ruwenzori's little-known recesses.

News from Everywhere

SOUVENIR

When Mr. Alfred W. Burt, Keeper of the Central Criminal Court, retired recently after 50 years' service, the Recorder of London presented him with two cheques and a birdbath made of Portland stone from the bombed Old Bailey.

Whiteford Lighthouse, made of wrought iron, has been sold for scrap. Standing about 1000 yards out from the Gower headland in Carmarthen Bay, it was built in 1865.

Anyone can now open a sweet-shop in Britain without a special licence.

DOG PAYS TAX

A dog in the United States which was left £1800 in the will of its owner had to pay inheritance tax.

London County Council are sending senior scholars who show a special aptitude for languages to the Continent for three months.

The Cunard Line has plans for a gas turbine liner which may replace the Queen Mary.

A scheme under survey in the Pongola area of Zululand would lead to cultivation of one of the most fertile coastal plains in South Africa.

In response to an appeal from the Duke of Edinburgh, road safety organisations from all over the country are meeting in London this week to tackle the problem of road safety as a joint operation.

BEETLES BY PARACHUTE

Nine Colorado beetles have been found in parachutes sent from the Continent to a Hertfordshire factory for repairs and repacking.

West Africa's first large sports stadium has been opened in Accra, Gold Coast.

Every three sugar beet which are dropped off farm lorries mean the loss of one person's weekly ration, says the British Sugar Corporation.

A holed minesweeper, stuck fast among the rocks at St. Ives, Cornwall, was released with the aid of a barrage balloon, which was plugged into the hole and then inflated.

Two Australians, Frank McNulty and William Howell, have reached Tahiti in a 24-foot yacht after an 11,000-mile journey from Falmouth, Cornwall.

LITTLE BROTHERS

Since 1947 more than a thousand boys have been sent to Australia by the Big Brother Youth Migration Movement.

A floating factory which makes mattresses of a mixture of cement and bitumen, 100 feet long and 45 wide, has greatly speeded up the construction of dykes in Holland. The mattresses are necessary for covering new dykes to prevent erosion.

Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery has given to the Greek Army the beret he wore at the German surrender in 1945.

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THEY HEARD FROM SANTA CLAUS

Thirteen British children return home this month from the Danish sanatorium in which they have been recovering from tuberculosis.

Their story is a romantic one, beginning with letters to Santa Claus. These resulted in an invitation to Vordingborg, beside the blue waters of the Baltic.

Here, 13 years ago, a sanatorium was built out of the sale of millions of seals. Every Christmas kindly Danish folk buy them to stick on envelopes in addition to stamps, thus helping T B sufferers. Denmark has thereby assisted to reduce her tuberculosis death-rate to the lowest in the world—only one in ten thousand people.

Each year thousands of British children post letters to Santa Claus. Many of them are addressed to Santa Claus in Greenland, but a wise Post Office sends them all to an office in Copenhagen connected with the Anglo-Danish Society.

Before replying, the secretaries of Santa Claus always take particular note if the writer says something about not being well.

Last March, 13 of these ailing correspondents were invited from Britain to Denmark, the cost being met by sales of the little Christmas seals; and they have been spending happy, health-giving months at Vordingborg.

Another 25 British children are succeeding them, the cost of their cure also being met by the little seals which in this country can be bought for threepence each from the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis. Tavistock House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1.

HERO'S CROSS FOR 13-YEAR-OLD BOY

A 13-year-old Birmingham lad has been awarded the Boys' Brigade Cross for Heroism for rescuing two children from a burning house.

Dennis Haile was on his way to school when he heard a man shouting that some children were trapped in a fire. They were at an upstairs bedroom window from which smoke was pouring.

While the man went to call the fire brigade, Dennis climbed up the porch of the house, and by clinging to a narrow window ledge managed to get to the smoke-filled bedroom.

He first took the small boy of six on his back, carried him to the porch, and handed him to someone below. He then went back for the four-year-old girl and brought her safely down.

Dennis has also been given a wrist-watch by the Society for the Protection of Life from Fire.

15 YEARS TO BUILD PATIENCE

Mr. G. F. Tarr, a retired Cheltenham business man, recently finished a 30-foot cabin cruiser which he started to make in his garden workshop in 1937. The war put a stop to the work, and since then other houses have been built, making it difficult to take away the finished craft.

Good neighbours removed their garden fences, however, to allow a lorry and trailer to come to fetch the boat, aptly named Patience.

RARE ALBATROSS

While crossing the North Pacific, scientists on the Admiralty survey ship Challenger, obtained photographs of a short-tailed albatross as it flew low near the deck.

This kind of albatross was once much sought after for its feathers and it was thought that the Japanese had killed the last of them in 1936.



A kid meets the Chaplin children

Two of Charlie Chaplin's children—six-year-old Michael, and Geraldine, aged eight—make friends with Patch, a young goat at London Zoo.

NATIONAL FILM THEATRE

Three-dimensional and experimental films—some made by amateurs—will be shown at the National Film Theatre on the South Bank of the Thames in London, which is to be opened to the public on October 25. It was formerly the Telecinema of the South Bank Festival Exhibition, and is to be run by the British Film Institute, which has one of the best film libraries in the world.

Continental films will be shown, and old classics in which Charlie Chaplin, Rudolph Valentino, and other famous stars appear. The Institute are also planning to show special films for children.

The National Film Theatre will be open to the public all day on Saturdays, and from 12 to 2.30 on weekdays. Anyone may visit it at other times by becoming an associate member of the Institute, for which the annual subscription is 5s.

Dulcimer on tour



Mrs. Jean Pickow has left her Kentucky mountain home to tour Britain, playing her dulcimer and carrying out research into Elizabethan folk songs.

BLANKETS OR BOOTS FOR 27

When Robert Forster of Hatfield, near Doncaster, died 350 years ago, he willed that the annual income from his plot of land should be used to provide three local poor men with either a pair of boots or a blanket.

The gifts, distributed as near Michaelmas as possible, have to go to one man in Hatfield, and two others in the nearby villages of Hatfield Woodhouse and Stainforth. Each must then attend a service in Hatfield Church.

This year no fewer than 27 men have benefited from this charity, mineral deposits having greatly increased the value of the land.

YOUNG AUTHOR

One of the proudest girls in Kent today is 14-year-old Hazel Salter, of Gravesend. She has just received complimentary copies of her children's A B C and counting book which was accepted by a London firm of publishers two years ago, when Hazel was only 12.

Hazel's talent is not restricted to writing books. In the same year that she wrote her A B C, her Dance of the Elves was awarded first prize in a ballad contest.

Hazel is at present studying commerce at Gravesend Technical School, but she hopes to continue to write as a hobby.

CUSHION OF CONCRETE

The Warwickshire church of Astley, a massive structure with a noble tower of red sandstone, has been given a concrete cushion in exchange for a cushion of coal.

For centuries its foundations have been resting on a pillar of coal left by miners at work below and estimated to be worth nearly £2,000,000.

Now the National Coal Board has secured this rich prize, a vast load of concrete inserted as the coal came out having kept the church securely in its position.

Astley church is famous in history for its association with the hapless Lady Jane Grey, and in the novels of George Eliot as a place where the local farmers sank into a pleasant doze.

AT THE MOTOR SHOW

A Spanish car called the Pegaso will be exhibited for the first time in this country at the 1952 Motor Show, which is to be opened by Earl Alexander at Earl's Court next week. A three-seater sports saloon, with eight cylinders, it runs 18 miles to the gallon, and can reach 130 m.p.h.

Altogether 57 car-makers will be represented at the show, 25 of them from overseas.

An attraction this year is an exhibition of racing cars, including the Kieft, Cooper-Bristol, Frazer-Nash, Connaught, H.W.M., and Alta.



East and West

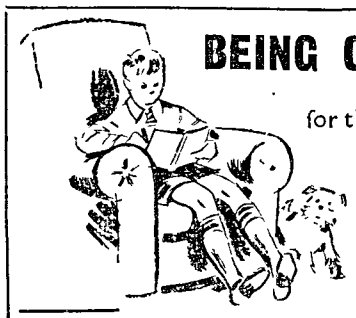
A Yeoman Warder at the Tower of London was baffled for once; the Moroccan visitor was unable to speak English.

FAREWELL, SKIPPER!

No longer will visitors to Loch Lomond be greeted by Captain Angus Cameron of the Princess May. After 43 years in this old pleasure steamer, he has retired and gone with his well-known collie dog to live in his native Island of Skye.

Genial Captain Cameron was particularly popular with tourists from overseas, and photographs of him with Dougie, his dog, and Ben Lomond in the background, must be in snapshot albums in many parts of the world.

His 54-year-old vessel, the Princess May, also may go into retirement soon, for a new prefabricated steamer is nearing completion besides Britain's largest lake.



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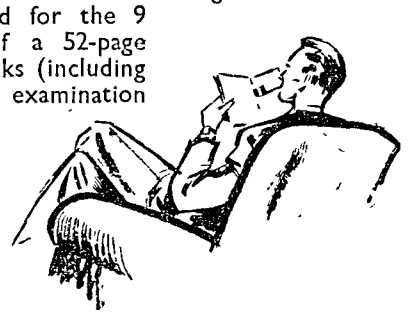
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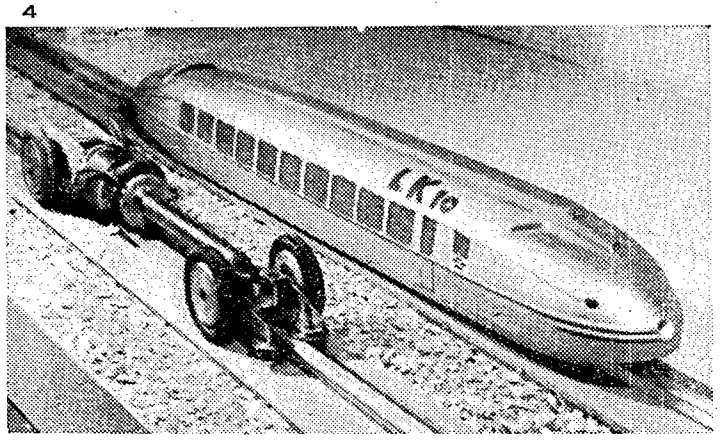


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Rubber-tyred railway

This is the model of a new type of railcar invented by a German engineer. Beside it is a chassis, showing how the pneumatic wheels straddle a single rail on the track.

MODELS OF MANY KINDS

A model tug made by an ex-officer with only one finger on his right hand has run for 45 minutes on the Thames. It will be on show at The Model Engineer Exhibition, to be opened by the Duke of Edinburgh next Monday at the New Horticultural Hall, Westminster.

A model of the only known sailing boat without sails will also be on view. It is a Borneo cattle boat with two trees in leaf acting as masts and sails. Windjammers of a very different sort at the show will be radio-controlled miniature yachts; they will sail round a tank in a wind provided by a battery of electric fans.

Other popular features will be the longest miniature racing track in the world, on which 13-inch cars reach 40 m.p.h.; and a 12-foot model of the Royal Scot which took over four years to build.

Masters of their crafts will illustrate all aspects of model-making in four main groups of engineering: marine, railway, aircraft, and general.

British model engineers have no superiors in the world, and this will be amply demonstrated at this exhibition, which will be open from October 20 to 29.

It will be a place of breathless wonder to those boys and girls who are lucky to see it. They can get in for 1s. 6d. (adults 3s.) or for 6d. apiece in a school party of 12 or more.

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ANOTHER UNIVERSE LIKE OUR OWN

By the C N Astronomer

A UNIVERSE not unlike our own may now be observed of an evening, high in the eastern sky.

It is not far from overhead, and on a clear, starlit night—such as may occur just now when there is no Moon—this wonder of the heavens can be readily found with the aid of the accompanying star-map.

The star Alpherat (which also appeared in the star-map of Pegasus in the C N for October 4) will enable the other stars of Andromeda to be identified, together with the great Universe long known as the "Nebula" of Andromeda, and indicated on the map by its Catalogue number M.31.

Face south-east and look up to the left of overhead, when an oval patch of filmy light will be seen near the star Nu in Andromeda, as shown in the map. It may seem somewhat larger than the Full Moon, but this will depend upon the darkness and clearness of the sky.

BETTER TITLE

Though once regarded as a gaseous nebula, it is now known to be a Universe, or Galaxy, as astronomers say. More is discovered about it year by year, revealing it to be remarkably similar to our own Galaxy or particular Universe. "Galaxy" is a better descriptive title for the massed grouping of myriads of suns and worlds than is "Universe," which more correctly includes everything material that exists, and includes some millions of Galaxies.

Our Galaxy, which until some years ago was regarded as the entire Universe, is a colossal whirlpool of suns, worlds, comets, nebulas, and satellites, all to be numbered in thousands of millions. Something like 3000 million suns are *known* to exist, a vast swirl of radiating streams round a dense central axis, and all speeding at a great rate through space.

So many suns are known to be invisible that estimates place the number of suns at anything up to 300,000 million in our own Galaxy alone, which itself is so vast that it would take a ray of light, travelling at 186,000 miles a second, 150,000 years to cross it.

TWIN GALAXIES

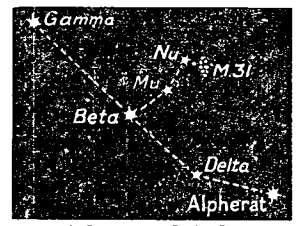
Now, at a distance of nearly five times this diameter of our own Galaxy is another one, a very similar starry whirlpool of thousands of millions of suns and worlds. Set at a somewhat similar angle to our own, the Andromeda Galaxy and our own would appear close together—twin galaxies—when viewed from the remote distances of other Galaxies.

It is this twin of our own Galaxy which we may see far beyond the distance of any of the visible stars of Andromeda. Its centre averages about 750,000 light-years from us.

WHAT the naked eye perceives is the light from all these myriads of suns. And it is what our own Galaxy and star-bestrewn heavens, including the Milky Way, would look like from a world in the Andromeda Galaxy.

The marvel of all this is that we human beings, who are relatively microscopic and insignificant creatures, should be able to grasp, visually and mentally, such a stupendous scene as these two vast Galaxies.

The Milky Way, which is a little to the north of the Andromeda area, represents a part of the more dense regions of our own



The chief stars of Andromeda, showing the position of the Galaxy M.31

Galaxy, but out there in the beyond, about ten times farther away, is its twin counterpart.

Of course, we cannot see the details with our unaided vision, but astronomers with great telescopes and all the paraphernalia of a modern observatory that aids vision can do so.

Now we learn that these Twin Galaxies are linked by radiations, and that a constant outpouring of cosmic energy is interchanged. Even our own little Earth receives a measurable allowance, and this may reveal still more than is already known about that vast Universe. G. F. M.

They posted themselves home

Mr. L. D. Gammans, Assistant Postmaster-General, pointed out recently that until a short time ago any person unable to find his way home could go into a British post office, and, on payment of a fee, "post himself home." He was thereupon escorted to his destination by a special messenger.

A writer in The Post Office Magazine points out that Guernsey was concerned in both the first and the last of such mailings.

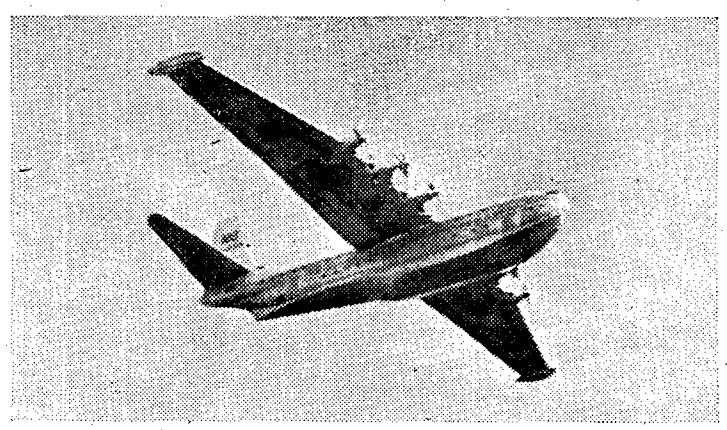
The facility was introduced in 1905, and on July 5 a Mr. Henry Turner entered Guernsey's Smith Street Post Office and paid the fee (then 5s. 10d.) and demanded to be delivered to the island of Sark. A messenger took charge of him and escorted him to the Albert Pier, where they boarded the steamer and crossed to Sark.

HUMAN PARCEL

It is recorded that the messenger never let his human "parcel" out of sight, having signed for him as an express packet! At Sark the postmaster checked all the documents and gave the escort his due receipt!

The last case of a human parcel posted was in 1940, when an ex-Major Palmer feared that his return home to Alderney from a shopping visit to Guernsey would be held up owing to the military demanding all the room on the local steamer. He posted himself back home, just as Mr. Turner had done 35 years earlier, being duly delivered and signed for. His Majesty's mails took precedence!

PLANES FOR THE SPOTTER'S NOTEBOOK



23. Princess flying-boat

The Princess, the world's second largest flying-boat, marks the successful conclusion of more than six years of pioneer and construction work by the firm of Saunders-Roe.

From its inception the Princess was designed with an eye to the North Atlantic route, because it was realised that by catering for this difficult service, with its 90 m.p.h. west-to-east headwinds, the flying-boat would be suitable for any long-distance service in the world.

From Southampton to New York is a distance of 3450 miles. Allowing for take-off, circuits made while waiting to land, and headwinds, it was necessary to provide the Princess with sufficient fuel for a range of 5500 miles.

Although the Princess appears to have six engines, it actually possesses ten Bristol Proteus prop-jets, mounted in four coupled pairs and two single outboard units. Each engine produces 3200 h.p. plus 800 lbs. of jet thrust. The total output of all ten engines is about 35,000 h.p., which gives the Princess a cruising speed of 380 m.p.h. at 37,000 feet.

As a civil flying-boat the Princess can carry 120 passengers, and as a military transport it can accommodate 200 fully-equipped troops.

Span of the Princess is 219 feet 6 inches, and length, 148 feet.

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Watchers ever on the alert round our shores

THE busiest time of the year is now beginning for our coastguards, the season when gales are more frequent and menacing to ships near our rocky shores.

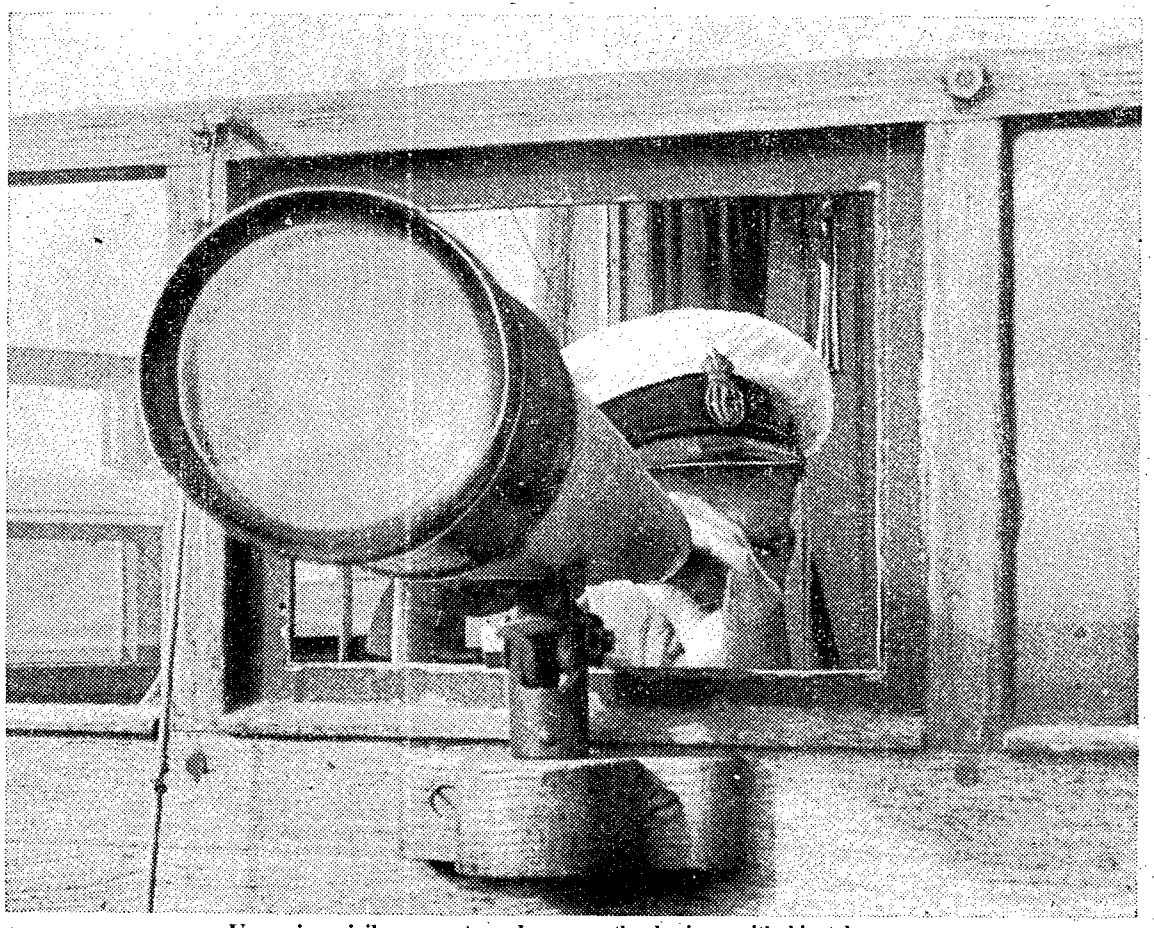
There are about 540 of these steadfast watchers round our shores, most of them pensioners from the Royal Navy.

In former times the coastguards' duty was solely to stop smuggling. Known as Preventive Men, they walked or rode on horseback, with flintlock muskets, and many were the skirmishes they had with the "free-traders," as the smugglers called themselves.

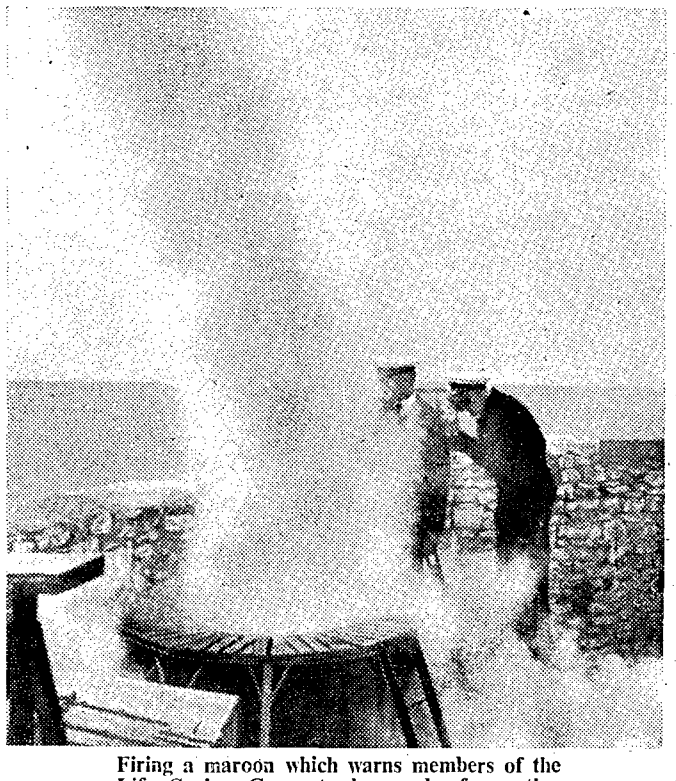
Today the coastguards are a life-saving service under the Ministry of Transport. They receive gale news from the meteorological people and pass it on.

Their look-outs let the lifeboatmen know at once when a ship is in distress, and sometimes the coastguards themselves go out with their rescue apparatus.

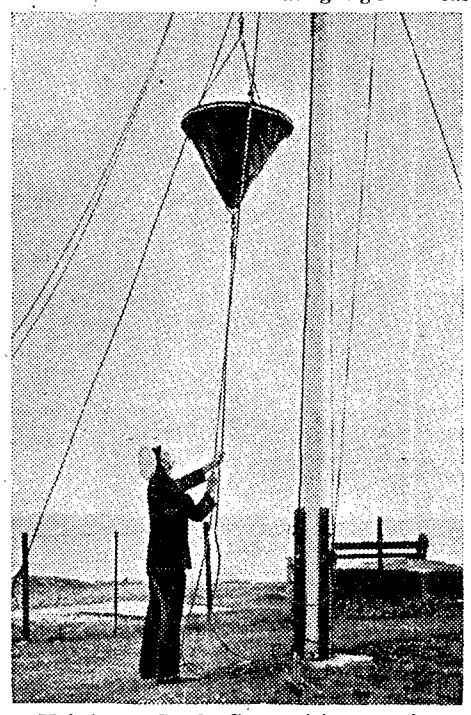
It is indeed a magnificent service.



Unceasing vigil—a coastguard sweeps the horizon with his telescope



Firing a maroon which warns members of the Life Saving Corps to be ready for action



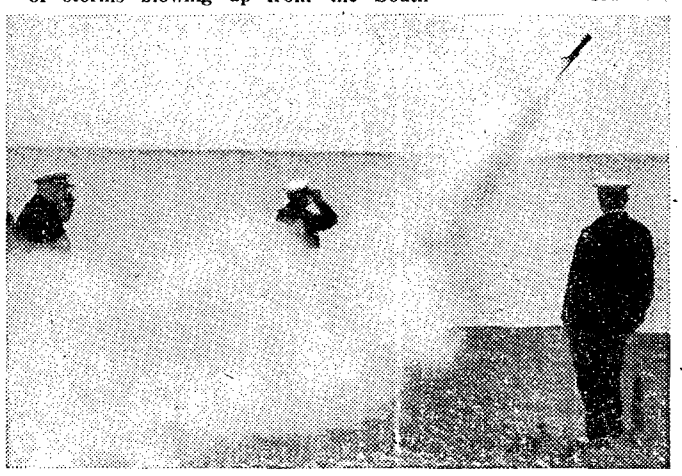
Hoisting a South Cone, giving warning of storms blowing up from the South



Coastguards practising with the breeches buoy used for rescue from ships close inshore



Plotting the position of a ship in distress



A rocket informs a disabled ship that help is at hand



Signalling by semaphore

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A WORLD FIT TO LIVE IN

HALF the world is still unable to read and write, says Unesco in its annual report to the United Nations. Over twelve hundred million people are so handicapped that they cannot read the simplest pamphlet in their own language.

All these people are, of course, a drag on the development of their countries. But illiteracy is not the only drawback; in its wake follow disease, starvation, outworn methods of agriculture, and an unwillingness to accept progress.

There is a long road to travel before the whole world is fit to live in. The millions who live in depressed conditions in various countries need the help of people in more fortunate areas.

Organisations like Unesco, and such projects as the Colombo Plan within the British Commonwealth, are evidence of their longing to give others a fair chance to live fuller lives. But all worthwhile endeavours need speed and drive behind them.

Unless all the plans to help them are speeded up with the co-operation of all, so that they may have their rightful place in the world, the backward races themselves may take action which would inevitably shatter civilisation.

The Editor's Table

STATELY HOMES IN DANGER

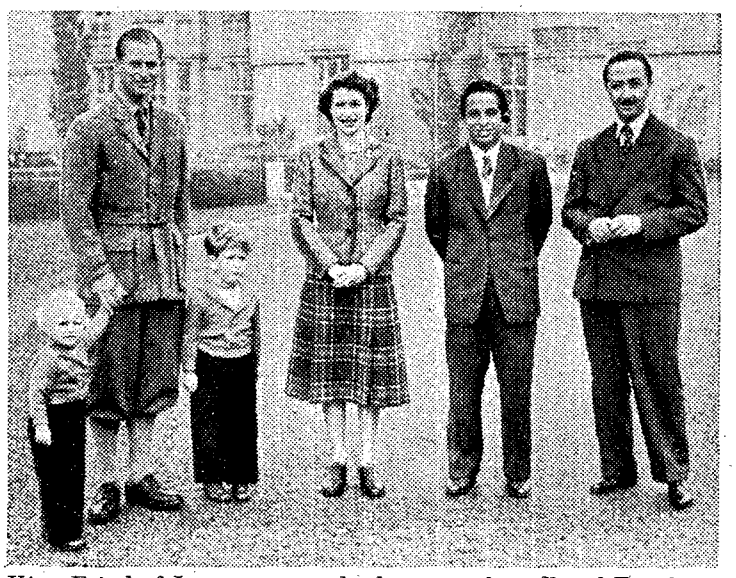
OVER 300 of the loveliest old homes of Britain are in danger; according to the National Trust annual report, every month that passes brings more decay and desolation to them.

On some of these buildings our greatest architects and craftsmen lavished their skill in days when rich men could afford to employ them. This mellow beauty is a reminder of our debt to the past, and it should not be allowed to vanish for ever from our midst.

Humbling a great mountain

NOT often do we hear of a mountain coming down in the world. But this is the fate of Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak, which has been found to be 225 feet lower than its previous official height.

This seems hard luck on stately Kilimanjaro, and, of course, other African mountains are now laughing their white heads off; but even from its adjusted height of 19,340 feet, Kilimanjaro can still look down on them all.



King Feisal of Iraq was recently the guest of our Royal Family at Balmoral. From left to right: Princess Anne, the Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Charles, the Queen, King Feisal, the Prince Regent of Iraq.

Wisdom and Philosophy

To act with common sense, according to the moment, is the best wisdom I know; and the best philosophy, to do one's duties, take the world as it comes, submit respectfully to one's lot, bless the goodness that has given us so much happiness with it, whatever it is, and despise affectation. *Horace Walpole*

Autumn sunshine

It was a delightful day—the best of all weather, the real English good weather—more like an Indian summer than anything else within my experience, a mellow sunshine, with great warmth in it—a soft, balmy air, with a slight haze through it. If the sun made us a little too warm, we had but to go into the shade to be immediately refreshed. The light of these days is very exquisite, so gently bright, without any glare—a veiled glow. In short, it is the kindliest mood of Nature, and almost enough to compensate for chill and dreary months. Moreover, there is more of such weather here than the English climate has ever had credit for. *Nathaniel Hawthorne*

THE BEST KIND OF DISCIPLINE

MANY people nowadays are inclined to be suspicious of the word discipline. For them it has a sinister ring, suggesting the rule of dictators and other evils against which we fought for nearly six weary years.

We are reminded of this attitude by a new L.C.C. pamphlet (Punishment in Schools, Staples Press, 1½d.), which discusses the vexed question of corporal punishment. "We are living in a society that has set its face against authoritarianism and the use of force to gain its ends," it states.

Nevertheless, in the most free kind of society there has to be law and order; we cannot, each one of us, do just anything we like, at any time.

The finest kind of discipline is that which comes from within—as the pamphlet describes it: "that enduring kind of discipline which springs from the worthy ideals of each individual—a discipline that is in sharp contrast to the precarious kind of control that is maintained by external authority."

TV is good for us

IT is quite refreshing to hear of someone saying that television is a good thing for young people.

Psychologists who have been investigating the effects of TV on boys and girls in Coventry point out that it keeps young people at home and off the streets. It arouses their interest in serious things, particularly good plays. It tends even to make them more helpful, more tolerant of others, and to make a few of them more religious.

Admittedly it interferes to some extent with their studies, but this may be due to the programmes being too attractive. They should be on a higher level, the psychologists maintain.

We believe that these wise people of Coventry have struck the right balance in the controversy. Television, rightly used, is bound to brighten and broaden young people's minds.

THINGS SAID

INSUFFICIENT emphasis is placed on the value to the community of craftsmanship and the interest and enthusiasm which can be awakened by a good job well done.

Mr. J. L. Womersley, town planning officer of Northampton

THERE is a growth of what might be called "father-craft." The father of today seems to take a far more personal part in the care of his child. He does not regard his baby with awe, or as a piece of breakable china.

The Princess Royal

EDUCATION takes place at home, at school, in the factory, and in the playground. It is not the exclusive prerogative of teachers.

L.C.C. Chief Inspector of Education

THE majority of picture-goers are not interested in education.

Chief Reviewer of the Cinema Trade in Britain

THRIFT is one of the civic virtues and an essential ingredient of social life.

Miss Florence Horsbrugh, Minister of Education

Thirty Years Ago

THERE is to be another big public school in England ranking with Eton and Harrow and Rugby and Winchester.

It will find a home in the beautiful seat of the Dukes of Buckingham and Chandos at Stowe, and certainly no public school, not even the oldest and most historic, will have finer premises or more spacious playing-fields.

Stowe House, the home of the new school for boys, was built about the time that Charles II came to the throne by Sir Richard Temple, a politician of Stuart times who is mentioned in Pepys' Diary, and it was greatly added to by later owners.

After certain alterations have been carried out, there will be accommodation for 240 boys.

From the Children's Newspaper, October 21, 1922

JUST AN IDEA

As Ben Jonson wrote: He knows not his own strength that hath not met adversity.

Under the Editor's Table



PETER PUCK WANTS TO KNOW

If greengrocers ever feel blue

People who are square pegs in round holes are often bad-tempered. Always falling out.

A man bought a caravan on a sudden impulse. More useful on a bit of land.

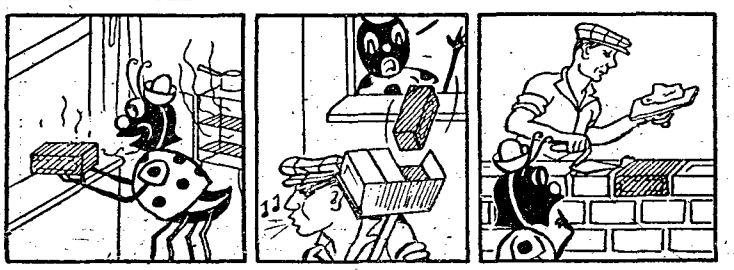
Tying a knot in your handkerchief will remind you of something. That you tied a knot in it.

Fishermen say they should be better paid. Old salts feel the pinch.

Horse-riders are sociable beings. But everyone cannot get on with them.

Writing novels, says an author, is not like growing potatoes. Except that you do better with a good plot.

BILLY BEETLE



HORATIO NELSON

(died October 21, 1805)

The music of his name puts fear to scorn,
And thrills our twilight through with sense of morn:
As England was, how should not England be?
No tempest yet has left her banner torn.

No year has yet put out the day when he
Who lived and died to keep our kingship free
Wherever seas by warring winds are worn,
Died, and was one with England and the sea. *A. C. Swinburne*



OUR HOMELAND

Looking across the Menai Straits from Beaumaris Castle, Anglesey

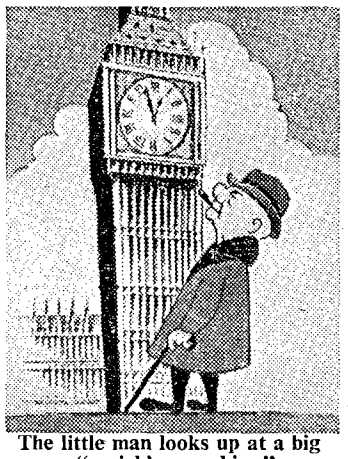
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ERIC GILLETT discusses a popular film character

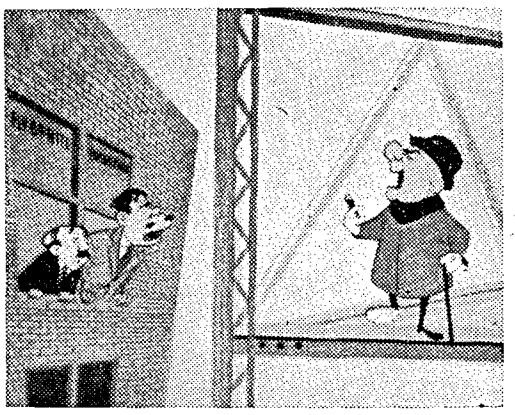
MEET MR MAGOO

SINCE Walt Disney introduced Mickey Mouse to the cinema, studios all over the world have attempted to follow his lead. Germany, Italy, and Russia all showed considerable promise, and some of the cartoons made in these countries have been free from the Disney influence, but the impulse has never been sustained.

At the request of Mr. J. Arthur Rank, David Hand, one of Disney's most talented assistants, came to England before the end of the war, and made good progress in establishing a British cartoon studio. His best creation, Ginger Nutt, the squirrel, appeared in a number of Technicolor shorts, and showed signs of becoming really popular. But economy cuts compelled the studio to close down, and there seems to be little hope of reopening it.



The little man looks up at a big "weighing machine"



Mr. Magoo takes the wrong turning—and wanders onto steel scaffolding

In America, various companies have made cartoons, most of them being frank imitations of Disney's work. The Tom and Jerry shorts, however, have genuine originality, and one of them won an award for the best cartoon of the year.

Meanwhile, the Disney studios have been tireless in experimenting. They have issued some superb nature pictures, some straightforward films for children, including an admirable Treasure Island, and a much-discussed and not very satisfactory Alice in Wonderland cartoon.

It would be true to say that the recent Disney cartoons have been the most disappointing products of the studio. The old charm and fantasy have almost disappeared.

A disturbing element of cruelty, only hinted at in earlier pictures, has become ugly and unpleasant in later ones, though it has never reached extremes displayed in some other American cartoons.

Bambi was an outstanding example of Disney at his best. But he is never willing to repeat himself, and his love of innovation has taken him far from the spirit of his early cartoons. These will remain as film classics.

Now it is a pleasure to welcome a new cartoon hero. He is the creation of Stephen Bosustow, a 40-year-old British Columbia artist who worked in the Disney Studios for seven years.

Mr. Magoo is a little, middle-aged man with a large nose and a smart white suit. He is so short-sighted that he gets into the most dangerous situations without even noticing that anything unusual is happening.

Magoo is a decent little chap who wins our sympathy at once. In spite of his raucous voice, he is obviously very kind. He has the best intentions, and nothing seems to put him off.

Watch him in Grizzly Golfer when he sets off to play a round

Continued in next column

with his nephew, Waldo, on a remote country course where hunters are sitting in wait for a bear. Soon the bear is accompanying Magoo as his caddy.

Bullets whiz all round the little man as he holes a putt and goes off afterwards quite happily in his car, with Waldo—and the bear. Under Magoo's benign treatment it seems to have become a very docile beast—as friendly, in fact, as the huge walrus which plays a peculiar game of tennis with Magoo in Fuddy Duddy Buddy, perhaps the funniest of the cartoons.

There seems to be no end to the glorious muddles that Magoo gets into and escapes from, and the joke is that he is not aware of them.

He walks a girder confidently, unaware of the peril below. He plays snooker, using a spear instead of a cue. He mistakes a striped curtain for a convict's dress. He sees, vaguely, his own house being moved on wheels, and thinks it is a nasty foreign car.

Mr. Magoo is a real discovery, and I hope his cartoons will be widely shown in this country.

Miss Beale's college

St. Hilda's College, Oxford, which is appealing for funds to extend its buildings, was established in 1893 by Dorothea Beale, one of the great pioneers of women's education.

It was Miss Beale, headmistress of Cheltenham Ladies' College, who opened the first residential college for training young women as secondary schoolteachers. That was at Cheltenham in 1885; but she wanted the student teachers to have the benefit of a year at Oxford, and in 1892 she paid £5000 of her own money for a big house at Oxford to make this possible.

It was a big 18th-century house in a beautiful position on the banks of the Cherwell, and it was opened as St. Hilda's Hall in 1893. It became St. Hilda's College in 1926.

When it was opened St. Hilda's had only seven students; today it has about 150.

A sum of £150,000 is needed for new buildings, and advocates of university education for women have made an appeal.

Another Nature article by THE HUT MAN concerning

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

(10) *Beetle or Cockroach?*

TO very many people the name beetle describes something unpleasant; some of them may even say that they hate beetles. But ask such people what they think of that

. . . little dome-shaped insect round,
With five black dots on a carmine ground;

and they tell us what a delightful little creature the ladybird is; they *love* ladybirds.

Yet the ladybird is a beetle, and only one of many attractive little beetles, so it is nonsense for people to say they *love* ladybirds and *hate* beetles at one and the same time! Of course, the answer is that they did not know ladybirds were beetles; they had always thought beetles were "nasty, crawly black things that come into our houses."



Death Watch Beetle

Now there *is* an insect that invades our homes, sometimes in unpleasantly large numbers, and this insect is generally named the Black Beetle. This rather unclean creature, however, is a Cockroach and not a beetle at all; so the poor beetles get a bad name, and are "hated," chiefly because of a creature that is not even a close relative!

Let us consider this unfortunate example of mistaken identity, and help to stop the spreading of unhappy and false ideas about beetles by learning how to distinguish them from the more deservedly unpopular Cockroaches.

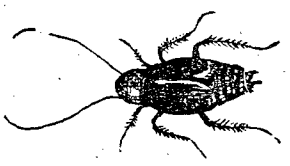
BEETLES belong to the large group of insects which is called Coleoptera, a name which comes from two Greek words meaning "shielded, or protected, wings." Through millions of years, the wonderful changing process that we call evolution has altered the forewings of beetles into a pair of hard, bony shields called elytra, which cover the delicate hindwings and protect them when the insect is not in flight. In most cases these shields cover the whole abdomen or hind portion of the body, giving the beetle its shiny, armoured, and generally oval appearance.

Most of us have watched how the little ladybird raises her red-and-black shields to release the beautiful gauzy hindwings before taking to flight from our hand. It is these wing-shields or elytra, divided down the centre by a straight opening-line, which forms the main badge of the beetle tribe.

Cockroaches are closely related to the Grasshoppers and Crickets, belonging to the same group or Order, called Orthoptera, from two Greek words meaning "straight wings."

Unlike the beetle, the cockroach has no hard elytra, the forewings having become long, narrow, and leathery. They are called tegmina, and though they serve the same purpose as the beetle's elytra by covering and protecting the membranous hindwings, they are duller and more flattened, lacking the appearance of glossy armour-plating of the Coleoptera.

SOME of our beetles are flesh-eaters, doing useful scavenging work by removing carrion, or devouring harmful insects such as greenflies; many are vegetarian, sometimes working havoc among fruit and other trees, or, like the notorious Death Watch, invading



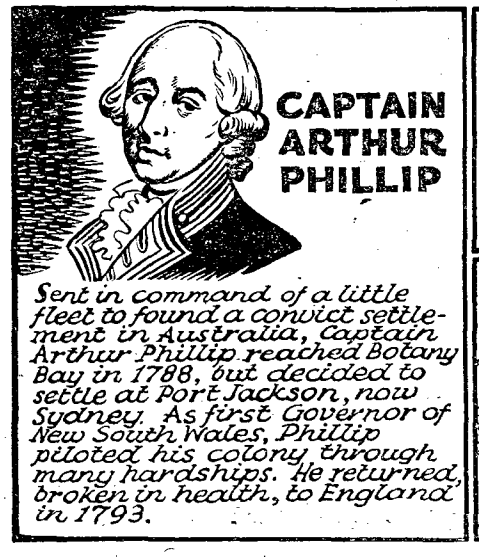
The Cockroach

the timbers of old buildings; but few if any have such varied tastes as the common Cockroach. Very few household articles are spurned as uneatable when it visits our homes.

Apart from our own food supplies, the Cockroach will attack with relish such seemingly indigestible items as emery-paper, bookbindings, photographic films, whitewash, bone-handled cutlery, or old shoes!

It is therefore no wonder that we do not welcome the creature as a household pet, but we must not regard him as a beetle.

Empire Mosaic—18 *by Ridgway*



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FEUDAL SYSTEM IN A VILLAGE

Promptly at one o'clock on October 23, members of the Danby Court Leet will assemble in the Yorkshire village of Danby, in the heart of the North Riding moors.

This court, which claims to be the only one of its kind still surviving from feudal times, is still held in the same room in the old castle at Danby, just as it was centuries ago.

The chief purpose of the court is to protect the interests of the local Lord of the Manor, Viscount Downe, and his tenant farmers.

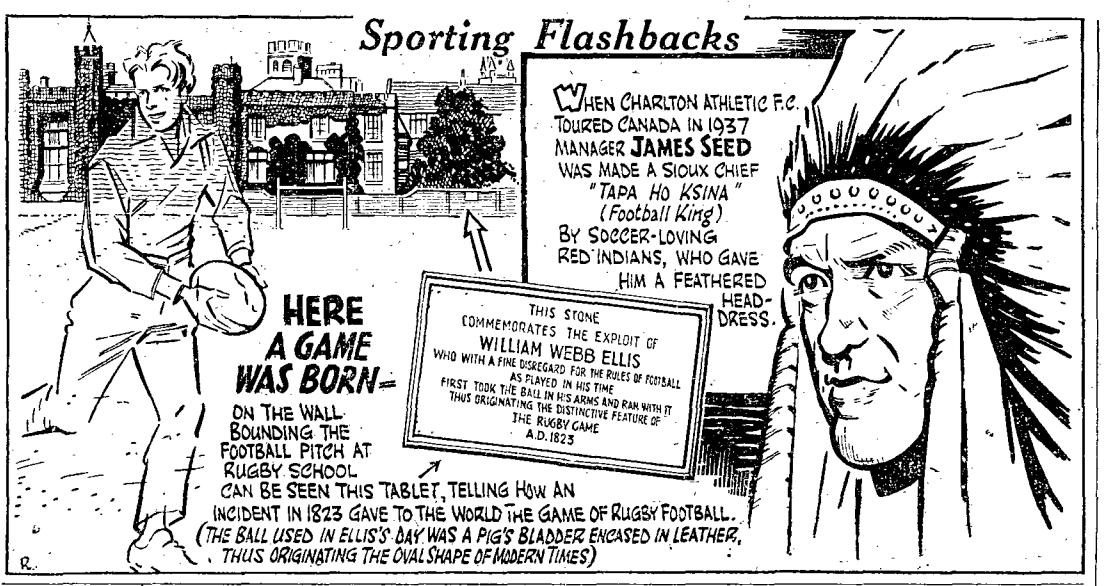
Fines of 2d. are imposed on any tenant who is absent from the court, for public notices have required all persons "owing suit or service" to attend. A fine of a shilling is also imposed upon every new tenant farmer within the court's jurisdiction.

An important part of the court's work is concerned with protecting the interests of tenant farmers, and the infringement of grazing rights is usually an item on the agenda. But this year another matter of wider interest will doubtless be discussed. This is the proposed National Park in the North Riding, and whether the access of hikers and ramblers to their land will affect the reclaiming of the moorland for crops by the farmers.

BRUSH WITHIN A BRUSH

Just as a mother kangaroo carries her baby in her pouch, a large paintbrush recently put on the market houses a smaller paintbrush inside its bristles.

The large brush is used for painting big areas, such as the panels of a door. To touch-up the corners, the painter slides a knob down the handle, and a small paint-brush then emerges to tackle this more delicate job. Moreover, he has only one brush to clean afterwards.



KING'S CROSS IS A HUNDRED YEARS OLD

On the morning of October 14, 1852—just 100 years ago—the first train ever to leave King's Cross Station pulled away from the departure platform and began its long journey to York. It was a great occasion, and the centenary of it is being fittingly celebrated this week with an historic railway exhibition at this great London terminus.

Great Northern trains were running from London to York as early as 1850, starting from a temporary station at Maiden Lane, just north of King's Cross. They travelled via Peterborough, Boston, and Lincoln, and finished their journeys on other companies' lines; their own then finished in the middle of a ploughed field at Askern, four miles north of Doncaster.

In August 1852 the present main line from Peterborough through Grantham and Retford was completed; and with the opening of King's Cross Station the southern portion of the East Coast route to Scotland became practically the one we use today.

Outwardly, King's Cross has altered little since Lewis Cubitt built it on a site previously occupied by a smallpox hospital and an ugly statue of King George IV, surrounded by tightly-packed houses. It was the King's statue at a cross-roads that gave the district and the station their name.

Cubitt's two great roof spans were based on the design of the Imperial Riding School in Moscow. Bow-shaped wooden planks were used instead of girders for the rounded part of the roof. Before long they tended to straighten and to push the walls outwards, and by the end of the century the whole of the timbering had been replaced by iron girders.

The station was built shortly after a period in which a great deal of money had been lost on unnecessary lines and stations. Consequently, the Great Northern shareholders were anxious to keep costs down. Even the clock which still adorns the station front was bought second-hand; it came from the Great Exhibition building of 1851, then being removed from Hyde Park to Sydenham.

When King's Cross was built the Midland Railway trains were using the London & North Western Railway's terminus at Euston. This led to congestion outside the station, and naturally the Midland trains suffered the longest delays.

In December 1858 the Midland Company obtained permission to use King's Cross, their passengers transferring to Great Northern trains at Hitchin; but increasing traffic led to the opening of St. Pancras Station in 1871.

King's Cross again became an exclusively Great Northern station, and remained so until 1923, when the L.N.E.R. was formed.

From King's Cross ran the first regular dining-car service with cooking facilities on the train; it was started on the Leeds expresses in 1879. The Flying Scotsman has run from King's Cross at 10 o'clock every morning since 1862.

TOOTHLESS SAWS

For cutting stainless steel, some engineers have been using saw blades without teeth. The toothless saw wears out faster and cuts a bit slower, but it is much cheaper.

One aircraft company, in fact, have used steel strip taken from the strapping around crates and packages.

GOODLY SUMS FOR GOOD CAUSES

The Nuffield Foundation has contributed £200,000 towards a new giant radio telescope which is being built for Manchester University.

The new telescope may do much towards solving the riddle of the radio stars, or dark stars, the name given to the puzzling sources of radio waves from space.

The radio telescopes that first revealed the existence of these mysterious radio stars consisted of two separate aerials, spaced apart and connected to a common radio receiver. This apparatus, however, was fixed. Manchester University's new radio telescope (at Jodrell Bank, Chester) will be steerable.

Help in building this strange new telescope is but one item of the wonderful endowment of scientific research by the Nuffield Foundation. During the past three years it has given more than £1,500,000 for this purpose.

£750 FOR A HOLE

An interesting item, though a small one, was the £750 granted to Cambridge University towards the cost of digging a very deep hole near the geophysical laboratories. Cambridge geologists are curious to know what the rock is like under their feet; for oddly enough, though their school of geology was founded in 1728, they have no exact knowledge of the rocks at depth below Cambridge itself.

The Nuffield Foundation has also made grants to help research designed to increase the wellbeing of mankind. Thus £3200 has been given for studies in the relations between coloured and white people in Britain, £11,500 for a survey of people's saving habits, and £1800 for investigation into the employment of elderly persons in industry.

This great Foundation, started by the generosity of Lord Nuffield, is certainly one of the noblest products of the 20th century.

WESTWARD HO! Charles Kingsley's Great Elizabethan Yarn, Told in Pictures (10)

Amyas and his band had captured a fine Spanish ship, laden with treasure, and had set sail for England. But they were still puzzled about the identity of the white girl, Ayacanora they had found living with the Indians. For years old Salvation Yeo had hoped to find his "little maid," the daughter of one of his former captains, Mr Oxenham who, with the child's mother, had been captured and killed by the Spaniards. Now he began to wonder if Ayacanora might be this child.



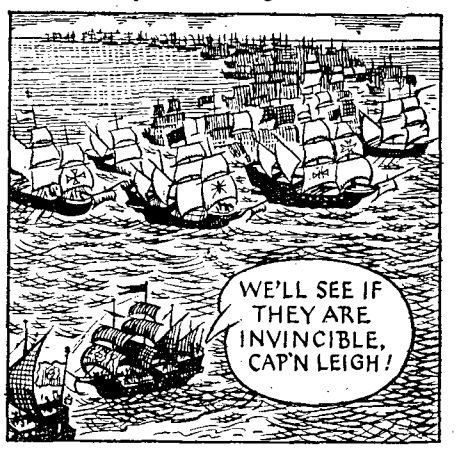
Yeo questioned Ayacanora. She could remember little of her childhood, but he was certain she was the girl he sought. She must have wandered off by herself into the jungle and been cared for by Indians. She had grown into a fine young woman—but was primitive in her ways. Now that she knew that she was an Englishwoman, she became a new creature, and tried hard to learn all she should do as an English lady.



They crossed the Atlantic safely to Bideford. Amyas had hard tidings for his mother, his brother Frank's death; and for Mr. Salterne, of Rose's death. The old man died later. But he had made a new will leaving his share of the treasure, due to him for helping to raise money for the venture, to Amyas. This was on condition that Amyas should re-name the galleon, the Vengeance, and sail against the Spaniards.



After Amyas had been home for some time, news came that the Spanish Armada had left Lisbon. Leaving Ayacanora with his mother, who had grown very fond of her, he sailed in the Vengeance for Plymouth Sound, where the English fleet was gathering. He was playing bowls with Drake and other captains in an inn garden when a seaman rushed up to them to say that the Armada had been sighted off the Lizard.



Amyas sailed with the rest of the fleet at night, his orders being to follow Drake's ship. At dawn they saw the Armada. The smaller but faster English ships attacked at once. But Amyas, his mind dark with longing for vengeance, sought one particular enemy, Don Guzman, the Spaniard who had run away with Rose Salterne, and had thus been the cause of her falling into the hands of the Inquisition.

Can Amyas find one Spaniard among the thousands in this great fleet? See next week's instalment

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A thrilling serial by a popular author

Cross-Channel Quest

BY GARRY HOGG

Enlisted by our guardian, Bruce Halliday, to help him trace certain foreign agents, my sister Nessa and I go with him on a cross-Channel steamer in pursuit of one of the men, Mr. A. He captures us and takes us to his cabin, but we manage to escape. We leave the boat disguised as French children, and get into a taxi—then straight into another car beside it.

7. Hot on the trail!

OUR car had small curtains to its windows, and the rear window was of dark glass. Also, there was a large reflecting mirror above the partition between us and the driver. It was not difficult, by screwing round a bit, to see most of what was going on behind. In particular, Bruce seemed interested in a black Citroën not very far away, beside which a man was standing, very much on the alert.

"Mr. B., unless I'm much mistaken!" Bruce said softly.

"And there's Mr. A.!" Nessa whispered excitedly. "Look!" There he was, approaching the big black Citroën, looking neither to right nor to left as he walked. He gave a curt nod to Mr. B., and at once got into the car. The other man stepped in behind him and slammed the door. It had hardly shut before the Citroën was moving smartly away.

Bruce tapped on the partition, and the man at the wheel half-turned, and slid a glass panel sideways. "Allez-y, Pierre," Bruce said; and a moment later we were off, too. "Nice work!" he added, relaxing on the wide back seat.

IT certainly had been a neat trick. Even if Mr. A. had spotted our disguises, which was most unlikely, he would be thinking we had gone off in that first taxi. So though he did know, worse luck, that someone on board was interested in him, he would imagine he had given that someone the slip. And meanwhile——

The black Citroën was moving smartly away ahead of us, and for a moment I wondered whether we might lose sight of it in the traffic. Luckily there was not much, and we could see it quite plainly, about a hundred yards ahead. But I jotted down its number, just in case.

After a little while, Nessa said: "Isn't that Renault acting rather oddly, Bruce? If you ask me, it's somehow connected with the Citroën."

Almost immediately after she had said that, we had proof of what she suspected. The Citroën swerved into the kerb and a man got out and went across the pavement into a shop. The Renault slowed down and stopped, too, as, of course, we had to. When the man came out and the Citroën started off again, the Renault did so, too. It carefully kept its distance, however; and we had to do the same.

"Wheels within wheels!" Bruce said grimly. "I wonder who's in the Renault?"

AT last we reached the open road, where both cars in front of us speeded up. Bruce had a map out on his knees and was running a pencil-point along it. There was a road, marked in red, pointing almost due east from St. Malo, and then bending south-east when it reached the edge of the Baie du Mont St. Michel. Another road, narrower, and marked in yellow, branched away in the direction of Cancale.

"We're coming to that fork," Nessa said, pointing forwards. "Just ahead of us." And at the fork both the Citroën and the Renault branched off to the left.



"You speak," I muttered

After a little while we came to a small town, hardly more than a large village, really. We ran into it through a twisting, narrow street, and found ourselves approaching a wide market-place with trees growing round it. Almost every other building seemed to be a restaurant. And here the Citroën stopped; and the Renault turned up a side-street and stopped, too.

"Easy, Pierre," Bruce said, leaning forward; and the dark, curly-haired man at the wheel nodded and brought our car to a standstill.

"WHAT do you wish to do now?" Pierre asked, and we were quite surprised to hear him speak in English, even if he did have a bit of an accent.

Bruce did not answer at once. As though by instinct, Pierre had stopped the car at a vantage-point. What I mean is that from where we were now parked we could keep both cars under observation without seeming to be doing so. We soon learned that Pierre was not merely a taxi-driver; he had worked for Bruce, and others like him, before!

"We'll just keep our eyes skinned for the moment," Bruce said. And we all did.

The two men from the Citroën got out. One of them crossed the pavement to a restaurant; the other stopped to speak to their driver, and then followed the first. The driver then started up the Citroën and turned it till it was facing our way. Halfway back to us, he turned off at a corner and stopped outside a small, rather dingy-looking restaurant that had the word Buvette on a piece of canvas hanging along its front. Café was another word we could read, and Vins et Cidre bouché.

The driver climbed out, left his car, and entered the buvette. And almost at once two men got out of the Renault and casually strolled across the road and went in behind him.

"And now it's our turn," Bruce said, when there were no signs of further movement. "Come on, folks. Look out for us again, Pierre." He added, as though in an afterthought: "If we come back in a hurry, see you have the engine running!" Pierre nodded, and then seemed to lose all interest in the three of us.

WE walked along the street till we came to a café from which we would be able to see both the restaurant where Mr. A. and Mr. B. had gone, and the buvette where their driver and the two Renault men had gone.

"Order me a bock," Bruce said, "and a citron pressé for each of yourselves." And with that he vanished!

There was a waiter in black with a white towel over his arm approaching us, and I nudged Nessa. "*You* speak!" I muttered.

She shook her head. "It's the man's place to order drinks when there are ladies in the party," she said fiercely, and shut her lips tight and fixed me with a hard stare.

"Un bock, s'il-vous-plaît, monsieur," I said, as clearly as I could, luckily having remembered just in time what "please" is in French. "Et un citron pressé pour madame et un autre pour moi."

"Bien, m'sieur," said the waiter, and flicked a crumb or two off our table before departing. I felt quite pleased with myself; the first time I had ever spoken French except in a French lesson! Then Bruce

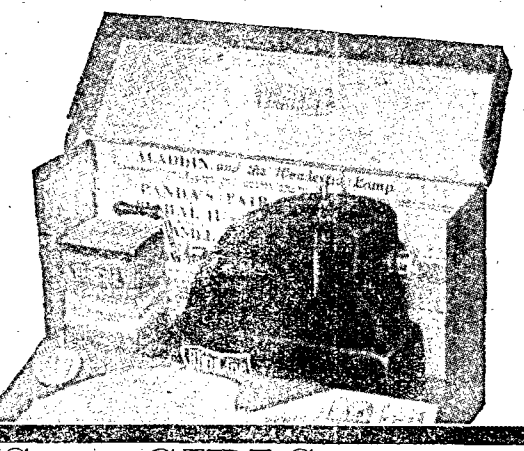
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YOUNG QUIZ

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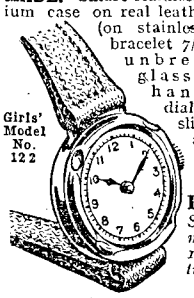


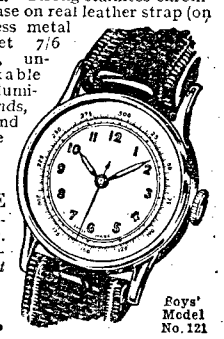
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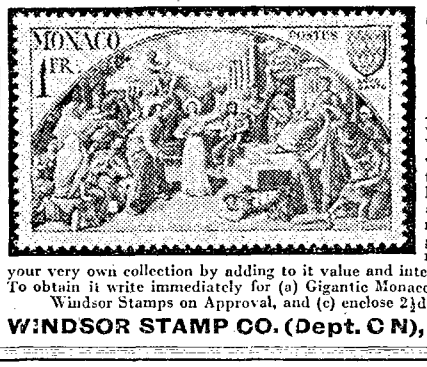
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PAULINE MUSGROVE, 16-year-old York schoolgirl, is the new National junior 100 yards backstroke champion. She first competed in the "National" at the age of eleven, and was runner-up three times during the last three years.

KEITH HAWKINS is only 15, but he is a promising golfer and is soon to become assistant to his father, who is the professional to the Maidenhead Golf Club. Keith is good at most sports, but intends to concentrate on golf.

FRED TRUEMAN, the Yorkshire and England fast bowler, has been awarded the Cricket Writers' Club trophy as the best young cricketer of 1952. Despite his R.A.F. duties, Trueman took 61 wickets during the summer, 29 of them in Tests against India.

THE Australian Golf Union are hoping to get golf included in the 1956 Olympics, to be held at Melbourne. If Britain and America agree, the contest should provide one of the greatest amateur golf tournaments ever held, for it will be open to the whole world.

KEN JOY, of the Medway Wheelers Club, has won the British Best All-rounder cycling championship for the fourth successive year. His best average speed in 50-mile, 100-mile, and 12-hour events is 23.83 m.p.h., a new record.

THE annual tennis match between the International Clubs of Great Britain and France has been played 34 times—and in every one of them Jean Borotra has appeared. Although now 54, he took part this year in two singles matches and one doubles.

ALTHOUGH he won the Wimbledon championship in 1948, Bob Falkenberg of the U.S. has never played for his country in the Davis Cup. Now he may play for Brazil *against* the U.S., having lived for three years in Brazil and now being eligible to represent that country.

WILL Scotland this season field an International forward line consisting of five players from one club? It is possible, for in the recent match between the Scottish League and League of Ireland, four of Hibernian's forwards were picked and the fifth was chosen as reserve.

A STONE has been placed near the 18th green at Worthing Golf Club to commemorate Tom Haliburton's world record aggregate of 126 for 36 holes made there during the summer.

EXPERIMENTS with footballs continue. The latest one to have an official trial is white and is made of plastic on leather. Advantages claimed are that it will not chip or tear, and that it is much cheaper.

CONGRATULATIONS to 22-year-old Pamela Davies, who only three years ago was girls' golf champion, and now is the women's champion. But Pamela does not intend to take golf too seriously; she is to concentrate on her career as an orthoptist, or expert in the correction of vision by eye exercises.

MRS. FANNY BLANKERS-KOEN of Holland is back in form again. At the recent floodlit meeting at Birmingham she beat Olympic champion Yvette Williams with a long jump of 19 feet 4½ inches, won the 100 metres in 11.8 seconds, the 200 metres in 24.4 seconds, and the 80 metres hurdles in 11.3 seconds.

MISS FRANCES ASPINALL, 19-year-old student at Armidale Teachers' College in New South Wales, recently obtained 99 per cent in a cricket umpiring examination. We may yet see a woman umpiring a Test Match.

CROSS-CHANNEL QUEST

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reappeared from nowhere and came and joined us.

The waiter returned with a big glass of something yellow, which he put down in front of Bruce, murmuring "Un bock, m'sieur," and two glasses of what we very soon discovered to be jolly good lemonade, which he put down in front of Nessa and me, murmuring, "Deux citrons pressés, m'sieur, madame."

"SMASHING drink, this," Nessa said, looking across the top of her glass.

"Hear, hear!" I agreed with her, and wondered if we would be staying here long enough to have a second glass. I could not decide whether to spin mine out or to swallow it as fast as I could, to make sure of having time for another. It's a problem I have had to face more than once in my life!

"Watch the buvette," Bruce said to us. "But keep your faces in the shadow as well as you can."

"At least we know the Citroën can't leave till its driver is ready," Nessa said. "So we needn't bother about Mr. A. and his friend, need we?"

"I'm interested in the Renault party, too," Bruce said. "We'll keep an eye on them all."

It was not very light in the buvette, but it was possible to see just a little way inside it. The driver from the Citroën was sitting at a marble-topped table, and the other two were at a table quite close to him. The two men were drinking red wine, while the driver of the Citroën was drinking some yellow liquid which was quite unfamiliar to me.

Suddenly we saw something which surprised us. At a moment when the driver was looking round over his shoulder, away from the two men, one of them leaned across and tipped the contents of a piece of folded paper into his half-empty glass!

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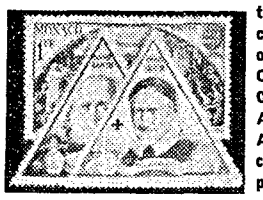


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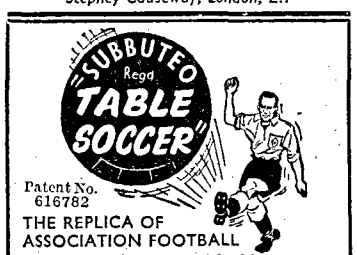
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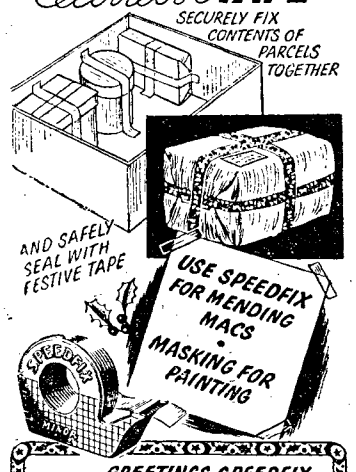
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HE BROUGHT THE NEWS OF TRAFALGAR

Trafalgar Day brings each year its salute to Nelson and his famous ship Victory, but it was a humble schooner with the homely name of Pickle (which did not fire a shot) that brought home the news of the victory and of Nelson's death.

Built in Bermuda, the Pickle was only 127 tons and about 80 feet long. Her commander at Trafalgar was Lieutenant John de Lapenotiere, and her duty in Nelson's fleet was that of messenger, which required an alert eye for signals.

After the battle and the death of Nelson, the Pickle's commander was summoned to the cabin of Admiral Collingwood on board the Euryalus. In front of the admiral on his table was a small package, carefully done up in a bit of sailcloth and sealed.

"Is your ship in good state?" asked Collingwood. "If so, make all speed to England and deliver this package personally to the Secretary of the Admiralty." Collingwood added, "You will probably receive a gratuity and your Commander's commission. You are the bearer of great but sad news."

It was a thousand sea miles from Trafalgar to England, and it was Sunday, October 26, five days after the battle, that the little Pickle set sail. Through bad weather in the Bay of Biscay Lapenotiere drove his ship, throwing overboard his four guns to lighten her.

On November 4 the Pickle hove to off Falmouth, and with his precious package Lapenotiere was rowed ashore. Ordering a coach and horses the lieutenant prepared for his 260 miles dash to London—through St. Austell, Liskeard, his home town, across Dartmoor to Exeter, Honiton, Basingstoke, and London.

Nineteen times the messenger changed horses, and at every inn he told the news of the great victory and the sad loss of Nelson.

With horses steaming and his head in a whirl, Lapenotiere entered London past midnight on November 5.

At the Admiralty the Secretary was roused from his bed and came down in his dressing-gown and nightcap. "Who is it?" he asked. "Lieutenant de Lapenotiere of the schooner Pickle, sir. We have won a great victory, but—lost Lord Nelson."

So the news of Trafalgar reached London 15 days after the first shot was fired.

Lapenotiere was sent on post-haste to Windsor, where he told the story to King George, who rewarded him with the silver sugar-caster from his breakfast table and promoted him Commander.

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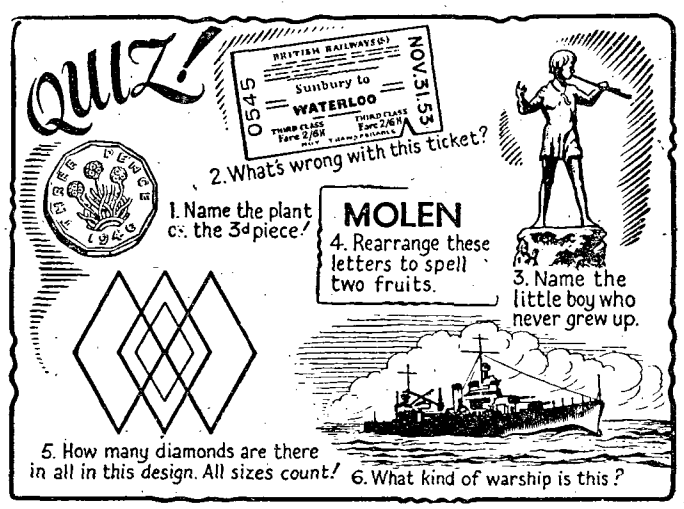
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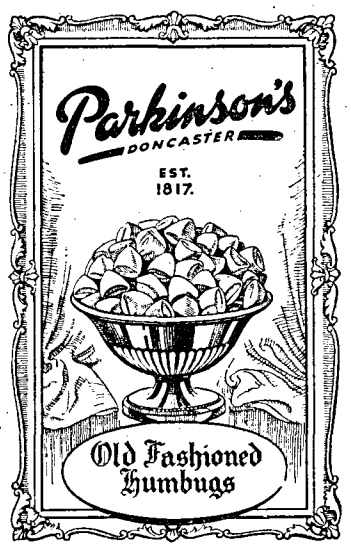
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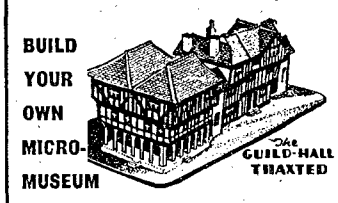
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THE BRAN TUB

MAN-HUNT

See if you can trace man through the following, which are all clues to words beginning with MAN.

1. He creeps into our writing.
2. He's very useful on washdays.
3. War sees him very busy.
4. He lives with the country parson.
5. One who looks after our finger nails.
6. A man who looks after our business.
7. He's wrapped in a text book.

Answer next week

COUNTRYSIDE FLOWERS

THE pretty purple flowers of Devil's Bit Scabious flourish on heaths and pastures. The blossoms cluster together, forming a pin cushion-like head, at the end of a slender stalk. Its hairy, branched stems grow from 18 inches to two feet high, and are clasped by a few narrow leaves, which are slightly toothed and grow in pairs.



The plant's root ends abruptly, as though bitten off. Legend attributes this feature to the Devil, hence its name.

JACKO GETS THERE IN LEAPS AND BOUNDS



Eccentric old Uncle Jacko had bought his nephew a kangaroo as a pet and made him promise to look after it! "It will have to earn its keep, though," said Jacko; though how to make it do so was a problem. "I know, you can carry me on my errands," he said to the kangaroo. "I shall get them done a lot more quickly with the help of your tremendous leaps." Which was exactly what happened! "Don't jump any traffic lights," cautioned Jacko as they went bounding on their way through the town.

Sammy Simple

SAMMY, sawing up an enormous pile of wood with a very blunt saw, was asked why he did not sharpen it.

"I have enough work to do without stopping to sharpen saws," he replied.

By gum

CRIED a crazy detective from Crewe:
"I believe I've discovered a clue.
I shall stick to the trail,"
And he did without fail,
For he trod in a large pool of glue.

Weights and Measures

Each line of this rhyme has one of the English weights or measures hidden in it. Can you find them?

IN cherry-blossom month
I'd rambled o'er the lea.
The bloom I left behind
Hanging all on the tree.
I made myself at home,
Going to Ned's for tea;
The bus, he let me know,
Would stop in time for me.

Answer next week

Short back and sides



"Father wants to know whether your rates have gone down a bit now." *From Shankar's Weekly, Delhi*

CHAIN QUIZ

Solutions to the following clues are linked, the last two letters of the first answer being the first two of the second, and so on.

1. World-famous French novelist, dramatist, and poet of the 19th century; exiled for many years; most famous novel is Les Misérables.

2. Member of the race which conquered Athens in A.D. 259 and Rome in A.D. 410; after centuries of warfare most of them were absorbed into various parts of Europe.

3. Instrument for measuring angles in surveying; consists principally of telescope mounted on a base which moves over a circular scale.

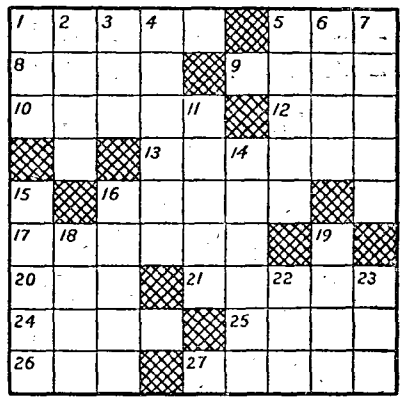
4. 19th-century poet; greatest works are a series of poems on the Legends of King Arthur's knights, and a memorial poem to his friend Hallam. *Answer next week*

Crossword puzzle

READING ACROSS. 1 Allude. 5 Modern. 8 Dry. 9 Stupor. 10 French for end. 12 Centre. 13 Scold. 16 Implore. 17 Inhabitants of Greece. 20 This is 5½ yards. 21 Large number of fish. 24 Liveliness. 25 Makes mistake. 26 Old measure of length. 27 Covetousness.

READING DOWN. 1 Royal Air Force. 2 Old name of Ireland. 3 Fish steer with this. 4 Eatable. 5 Wanderer. 6 Give out. 7 Walked through water. 11 Looks for. 14 Slice of bacon. 15 Concur. 16 Foot lever. 18 List of names. 19 Food. 22 Mineral. 23 Pounds, shillings, and pence.

Answer next week



FARMER GRAY EXPLAINS

BEWARE OF FUNGI. Under the silver birches were several fungi.

"Oh, how pretty!" exclaimed Ann, admiring the scarlet, white-spotted tops.

"Yes, but they are Fly Agaric and very poisonous," warned Farmer Gray.

"I don't think this one is poisonous," said Don, indicating a brown, sponge-like specimen.

"Why not?" inquired the farmer.

"Because slugs have been eating it," replied Don.

"That is not proof," the farmer retorted. "Slugs are partial to fungi, but they may be able to eat species which would be harmful to man. No fungi should be eaten unless first examined by an expert."

In a hurry

"WHO were you talking to at the door? You've been half an hour."

"Mrs. Smith; she said she hadn't time to come in."

Double meaning

The two missing words are similarly pronounced, but have different meanings. Can you find what they are?

"ALL —— to Master Rook I say,"
The farmer said with sudden zest.
"He —— on grubs and wireworms, too,
And each one is an awful pest."

Praise, preys

YOUNG QUIZ—answers

1 Mounted knights fighting with lances.
2 Excalibur.
3 There are 480 (sometimes 500 to allow for waste).
4 William Cowper.
5 Easily deceived.
6 Edmund Spenser.
7 Stalactites are deposits of lime hanging from the roof of a cave; stalagmites are similar deposits which grow upwards.
8 Irish.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Hidden places. Portland
Riddle-in-rhyme. Breakwater
Animal essay. Sow, lion, ass, fox, pig, wolf, badger
Chain Quiz. Joseph, Philip, Ipswich, China
Musical rhyming. Brahms, Liszt, Strauss

BEDTIME CORNER

Black mark for Billy

THE sweep was coming that day and Billy was looking forward to his arrival. But when he did come Mummie told Billy that he must stay out of the room. "You'll only get in the way," she said.

"Oh, I don't mind," said the sweep. "He won't worry me."

So Billy was allowed to stay; and he had a wonderful time watching the sweep at work with his brushes.

When he had finished, the sweep staggered out with a huge bag of soot to his little cart. Billy, determined not to miss a thing, followed him.

But as the sweep was lifting the bag into the cart it suddenly split—and a huge cloud of soot descended on both of them.

The sweep was hardly any blacker—but Billy looked as though he had crawled *through* a chimney!

He was such a sorry sight as he came to the door that Mummie just could not bring herself to be cross.

And Daddie, once Billy had been bathed and cleaned, was quite pleased. For the sweep, who came back to apologise, offered him a whole bag of soot to use as fertiliser on his garden.

WHEN I WENT SHOPPING

MUMMY said, as I went to the shop,
I could buy myself a lollipop.
And this is what I had to get:

A quarter of lard and a tin of ham and a two-pound pot of raspberry jam.
A large box of soapflakes and a packet of cornflakes.
A fillet of hake and a coconut cake.
A packet of custard, a tin of mustard,
Two pounds of rice and a packet of spice.
Two dozen pegs and some new laid eggs,
And a pound of apples if they were nice.

So off I hurried, skippity hop,
But, oh dear me, when I got to the shop
I'd forgotten what I had to get.

I asked for a pound of raspberry ham
And a twopenny tin of cornflake jam.
A fillet of custard and coconut mustard,
Some soapflake rice and a pound of spice.
A packet of apples, some lollipop lard,
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